# GOODYEAR CITYREPORT





#### City Council Calendar

The Goodyear Justice Facility is located at 986 S. Litchfield Road.

#### **Monday, July 8, 2002**

City Council Meeting - 6:00 p.m. Goodyear Justice Facility

#### Monday, July 22, 2002

City Council Meeting - 6:00 p.m. Goodyear Justice Facility

#### Monday, July 29, 2002

Special City Council Meeting - 6:00 p.m. Goodyear Justice Facility

## GOODYEAR THEN & NOW

As reported in the June issue of the CityReport, the 2002 Citizen Satisfaction Survey shows that 90% of residents think Goodyear is an "excellent" or "very good" place to live. An even higher percentage, 99%, say they feel safe in their neighborhoods.

Further, residents ranked the importance of City services as follows: 1) Traffic flow, 2) Street repairs, 3) Code enforcement, 4) Garbage and trash service, 5) Economic development, 6) Recycling, 7) Water, 8) Parks and open space, 9) Sewage disposal, 10) Fire service, 11) Lighting, 12) Emergency medical service, 13) Police service, 14) Communication, 15) Cultural events, 16) Public transportation, 17) Youth programs, 18) Citizen assistance.

Recently, a summary of a 1974 citizen survey was found that revealed the following details of what life was like in the City of Goodyear 28 years ago.

- There were 805 housing units: 464 homes and 341 apartments.
- Families of one or two people made up 43% of the population.
- Of those living in houses, 80% lived in Goodyear for more than two years.
- Of the house dwellers, 54% chose to live in Goodyear because it was close to their work. 26% preferred to live in Goodyear because it was a small community.
- Of the apartment dwellers, 80% worked at Luke Air Force Base and only 24% of those lived in Goodyear for more than two years.
- Retirees accounted for 10% of the population.
- Of house dwellers, 58% had incomes ranging from \$10,000-20,000, while 27% had incomes in the \$5,000-10,000 range.
- New businesses desired by residents included a shopping center with a department store (45%), more competitive businesses (30%), a restaurant (28%), and a bowling/recreation/theater center (17%).
- The most objection residents had to any business was a stockyard located northwest of town (46%).
- Traffic: 42% disliked congestion, paving and palm tree hazards, and 13% disliked "hot rodding" and speeding. However, 35% felt traffic was not a problem.
- 72% felt there was no need for public transportation in the City.
- A hospital was favored by 63%, while 92% strongly favored having ambulance and first aid services immediately.
- 60% wanted a community college in the area, and 60% wanted improved parks and recreation facilities.
- Less than half, 44%, believed that more public schools were needed, with a high school mentioned most.
- The City's "most serious problems" included crime/traffic/drugs (14%), growth (11%), parks and recreation (10%), the "stockyards" (5%), dog control (5%), alley appearance and trash pick-up (3%), low flying planes (3%), and flood control (2%).

Copies of the 2002 Citizen Satisfaction Survey are available from the Goodyear Community Initiatives Department. Call 623-882-7808.



Mayor William O. Arnold

## MEMO FROM THE MAYOR

During the Southwest Valley Chamber of Commerce awards dinner in June, Irene Aguirre received the **Citizen of the Year Award**. This is an annual award presented by the Mayor of Goodyear to a citizen who makes a significant contribution to serving the communities of the Southwest Valley as a volunteer. My official proclamation about Irene read, in part, Whereas Irene Aguirre is a very active volunteer in the City of Goodyear and Southwest Valley... is a very

active board member of the Southwest Valley Chamber of Commerce, Hispanic Leadership Forum and Southwest Skill Center... she actively serves on the Northwest Valley Chamber of Commerce, West Valley Fine Arts Council, and West Valley Regional Economic Development Support Team, and... Irene continues to give generously of her time and talents to make Goodyear and our Southwest Valley a special place to live, work and play... do hereby call on all residents of Goodyear to recognize and applaud Irene Aguirre for her leadership, hard work and dedication to our community.

Congratulations, Irene, on this much-deserved award.

To help fight the Rodeo and Chediski fires, the City of Goodyear Fire Department supplied one fire engine and six firefighters as part of the **Statewide Fire Response Team**. The Fire Department adjusted staffing so our local fire and emergency response service was not affected. The cost to the City for salaries, overtime and other expenses will be reimbursed by the State.

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Last month I was pleased to attend the **Celebration of Hoover Dam** sponsored by the U.S. Department of the Interior. The event was part of the Bureau of Reclamation's Centennial Celebration. A dinner for 2,400 guests held near the dam's giant electrical turbines, speeches by Secretary of the Interior Gale Norton, Bureau of Reclamation Commissioner John Keys, Nevada Governor Kenny Guinn, and Arizona Governor Jane Dee Hull, fireworks and a flyover by the USAF Thunderbirds made for a spectacular event. Hoover Dam is the highest concrete arch dam in the nation and is built on the Colorado River at the Arizona-Nevada border. The dam, completed in 1936, is used for flood and silt control, electric power, irrigation, and domestic and industrial water supplies.

Sincerely,

William O. aml

## LEARN ABOUT THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

July 4, 1776 was the date that the members of the first Continental Congress adopted the *Declaration of Independence*. However, the document was not signed by most of the members until August 2, and the last member did not sign the document until 1781.

The *Declaration of Independence* is made up of five distinct parts: the introduction; the preamble; the body, which can be divided into two sections; and a conclusion. The original document has been on display to the public in a special vault at the National Archives building in Washington, D.C. since 1952. Prior to being placed at the National Archives, the original document was stored in cabinet drawers, hung on walls, and locked away at Fort Knox, Kentucky. It was carried from place to place in everything from leather saddlebags to guarded, armored trucks.

To read the document, learn more about its history, and add your name electronically to the list of original signers, go to the Web site of the National Archives at www.archives.gov.

Source: U.S. National Archives and Records Administration

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## = Fast Facts



The Goodyear Police Department has five divisions including Field Operations, Investigations, Community Programs & Education,

Support Services, & Telecommunications.

During 2001, Field Operations officers responded to 18,851 calls for service, wrote 4,004 reports, issued 8,178 civil and criminal citations, and arrested 1,190 adults and 262 juveniles. In addition, officers made 238 arrests for Driving Under the Influence (DUI). The officers also investigated 257 traffic accidents, of which 185 involved no injuries, 70 involved injuries, and two involved fatalities.

The Investigations Division received 1,324 cases; Property Crimes accounted for the majority of the cases involving theft, burglary, criminal damage, possession of and trafficking in stolen property, robbery, shoplifting, stolen license plates, motor vehicle theft, and vandalism.

The Community Programs and Education Division served students and teachers through the School Resource Officer program, supported the youth Police Explorer organization, conducted the second successful *Shop With a Cop* holiday program, sponsored the annual *Adopt a Family* program, participated in the *Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics*, and led the Citizen Police Academy.

Property, evidence and records management by the Support Services Division included increased report processing, enhanced digital photography systems, public records requests, and alarm permits and tracking.

The Telecommunications Division dispatched 14,554 calls for service and conducted 64,879 activities through the Arizona Criminal Justice Information System.



The results of the **Retail Survey** are being tabulated and will be available this month on the City's website at ci.goodyear.az.us



Goodyear City Council (Back, L to R): Frank Cavalier, Dick Sousa, Jim Cavanaugh, Sue Linney. (Front, L to R): Vice Mayor Seth Kanter, Mayor William Arnold and Ken Porter.

### CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS

A Summary of Major Actions

**JUNE 10, 2002** 

- Authorized a contract with Selectron Technologies, Inc. for an Interactive Voice-Response (IVR) System in the Building Safety Division of Community Development for \$51,660.
- Accepted water, sanitary sewer, street improvements and City maintained landscaping in CottonFlower Units 1, 2, and 3, as completed by The Roston Company.
- Accepted Public Utility Easements along public right-of-way frontage of Palo Verde Apartments including Palo Verde Drive, Via Villa Street, and Central Avenue.
- Accepted right-of-way along north Palo Verde Drive north of W. Via Villa Street adjacent to Palo Verde Apartments for the purpose of a cul-de-sac turn around.
- Conducted a public hearing and approved zoning amendments regarding signage.
- Authorized an agreement with Roston Entities to acquire 10,876.88 extinguishment credits for its Assured Water Supply (AWS) groundwater account for 112 water resource fee certificates for 112 lots at the CottonFlower Development.
- Accepted the Truck Route Study and directed staff to draft an ordinance regulating truck traffic for consideration at a later date.
- Held a joint meeting with the CottonFlower and the Wildflower Ranch (1 & 2) Community Facilities Districts and approved different development, financing participation and intergovernmental agreements.

#### **JUNE 24, 2002**

- Authorized an agreement with the Greater Phoenix Economic Council for participation in the fiscal year 2002-2003 regional economic development program for \$6,721.00.
- Accepted street improvements in Palm Valley Phase II Parcel 10 by SunCor Development Company at the southwest corner of Palm Valley and Encanto boulevards.
- Accepted rights-of-way along the west side of Bullard Avenue north of Van Buren Street along the frontages of Snyders of Hanover and Southwest Specialty Foods.
- Approved the Centerra Corporate Center final plat subdividing 104.48 acres into 15 lots (1-commercial, 14industrial) at the northwest corner of Bullard Avenue and Yuma Road.
- Accepted water, sanitary sewer and street improvements for the Estrella Parkway Extension.
- Authorized an application to Arizona State Land Department to lease easements for 10 years to develop a noise abatement and accident mitigation corridor south of Luke Air Force Base.
- Annexed rights-of-way on Bullard Avenue from McDowell Road to the Roosevelt Irrigation District canal.
- Held joint Council and Community Facility District meetings with General District 1 and Utilities District 1 (SunCor Palm Valley), District 1 (Estrella Mountain Ranch), Cottonflower CFD, District 1 and District 2 (Wildflower Ranch) to receive the General-Purpose Financial Statements and Annual Expenditure Limitation Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001.

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## Did You Know?

Removing shopping carts from the premises or parking area of a retail establishment is a Class 3 misdemeanor by Arizona law. It is illegal to:

- Possess a shopping cart that has been removed from the premises or parking area of a retail establishment.
- Possess a shopping cart with the serial numbers removed, obliterated or altered.
- Leave or abandon a shopping cart at a location other than the premises or parking area of the retail establishment.
- Alter, convert or tamper with a shopping cart, remove any part or portion of a shopping cart, or remove, obliterate or alter serial numbers on a shopping cart.
- Possess a shopping cart while that cart is not located on the premises or parking lot of a retail establishment.

### JOB OPENINGS

Visit the City of Goodyear Web site at www.ci.goodyear.az.us or call the City's 24-Hour Hotline, **623-932-1716**, for job listings. The City of Goodyear accepts applications only for open positions. The Human Resources Office is located at 190 N. Litchfield Road, telephone 623-882-7755, TDD 623-932-6400. EEO/M/F/H/D.

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Your Opinion Counts!  We want your ideas on how we may better serve you. Just fill out this form and return it with your garbage collection bill or mail it to Linda Dillard, Community Advocate, Citizen's CitySource Office, 190 N. Litchfield Road, P.O. Box 5100 Goodyear, AZ 85338, or E-mail to Ldillard@ci.goodyear.az.us.	
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#### City Telephone Numbers

24-Hour City Hotline (623) 932-1716 **Building Safety** (623) 932-3004 City Clerk (623) 882-7830 City Court (623) 932-3013 (623) 932-3910 (Mayor, City Council, City Manager) Community Advocate (623) 882-7800 Community Initiatives (623) 882-7808 (Intergovernmental, Citizen, Neighborhood and Communication Programs) Crisis Services Line (623) 882-7677 Dead Animal Removal (602) 222-8555 Economic Development (623) 932-3025 Emergency Operations Center (623) 882-7000 (when activated) Fire Department (623) 932-2300 Planning & Zoning (623) 932-3005 Police Department (623) 932-1220 **Public Works** (623) 932-1637 (Garbage/Trash/Recycle, Park/Pool/Recreation, Streets/Transportation, Water Quality/Pressure) Utility Start/Bill Payment (623) 932-3015

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